

1 7. The decoder of claim 2, wherein the generated control token interacts
2 with predetermined ones of the stages.

1 8. The decoder of claim 2, wherein the at least one data token is altered
2 by the predetermined ones of the stages.

1 9. The decoder of claim 2, wherein the generated control token interacts
2 with adjacent ones of stages.

1 10. The decoder of claim 2, wherein the generated control token
2 interacts with non-adjacent ones of the stages.

1 11. A method of operating on a data stream of data having portions
2 encoded by respectively different standards comprising:
3 responsive to the encoded data stream, generating a control token
4 corresponding to each of the different standards and at least one data token; and
5 processing the at least one data token according to the different
6 compression standard to which the generated control token corresponds.

1 12. The method of claim 11, wherein processing the at least one data
2 token comprises altering the at least one data token.

REMARKS

Should the Examiner believe that contact with Applicant's attorney would be beneficial to the disposition of this application, he is invited to contact Applicant's

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